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I DON'T SENSE
THE ARMY OF THE
DEAD INSIDE HIS
SHADOW...

...WHICH MUST MEAN
HE HAS SPLIT UP
HIS TROOPS.



IS HE PLANNING
ON SINGLE-HANDEDLY
ABSORBING OUR
FORCES?

WELL, ONE
THING'S FOR SURE.
HE'S STALLING TO AVOID
AN ALL-OUT WAR.

MONARCH OF
SHADOWS...

WHAT IS IT THAT
YOU AIM TO DO?

WHEN CONTACT WAS LOST
WITH THE HUNTERS WHO
CONFRONTED THE BEASTS,

THE U.S. GOVERNMENT
SWIFTLY DISPATCHED ITS
MILITARY FORCES TO BUY
TIME FOR THE CIVILIANS
TO EVACUATE...



ALL HELL HAS
BROKEN LOOSE ON
THE OTHER SIDE
OF THE PLANET...



AFTER CANADA FELL,
THE ENEMY STARTED
RAVAGING AMERICA.

THE COUNTRY
HAS THE STRONGEST
MILITARY IN THE WORLD.
AND YET, IT HAS FALLEN
VICTIM TO THOSE
BEASTS.



ALL HUMANITY
CAN DO NOW IS PRAY
FOR A MIRACLE...





BUT...
WHAT KIND OF MIRACLE
COULD PUT A STOP TO
THOSE MONSTERS?



A MIRACLE,
HUH...?



DEAR GOD,
I BEG YOU...



PLEASE DO NOT
FORSAKE US...

HUNDREDS OF
SHADOW SOLDIERS
JOINED THE BATTLE

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LIKE A TIDAL
WAVE THAT WOULD
SWALLOW EVERYTHING
IN ITS PATH,

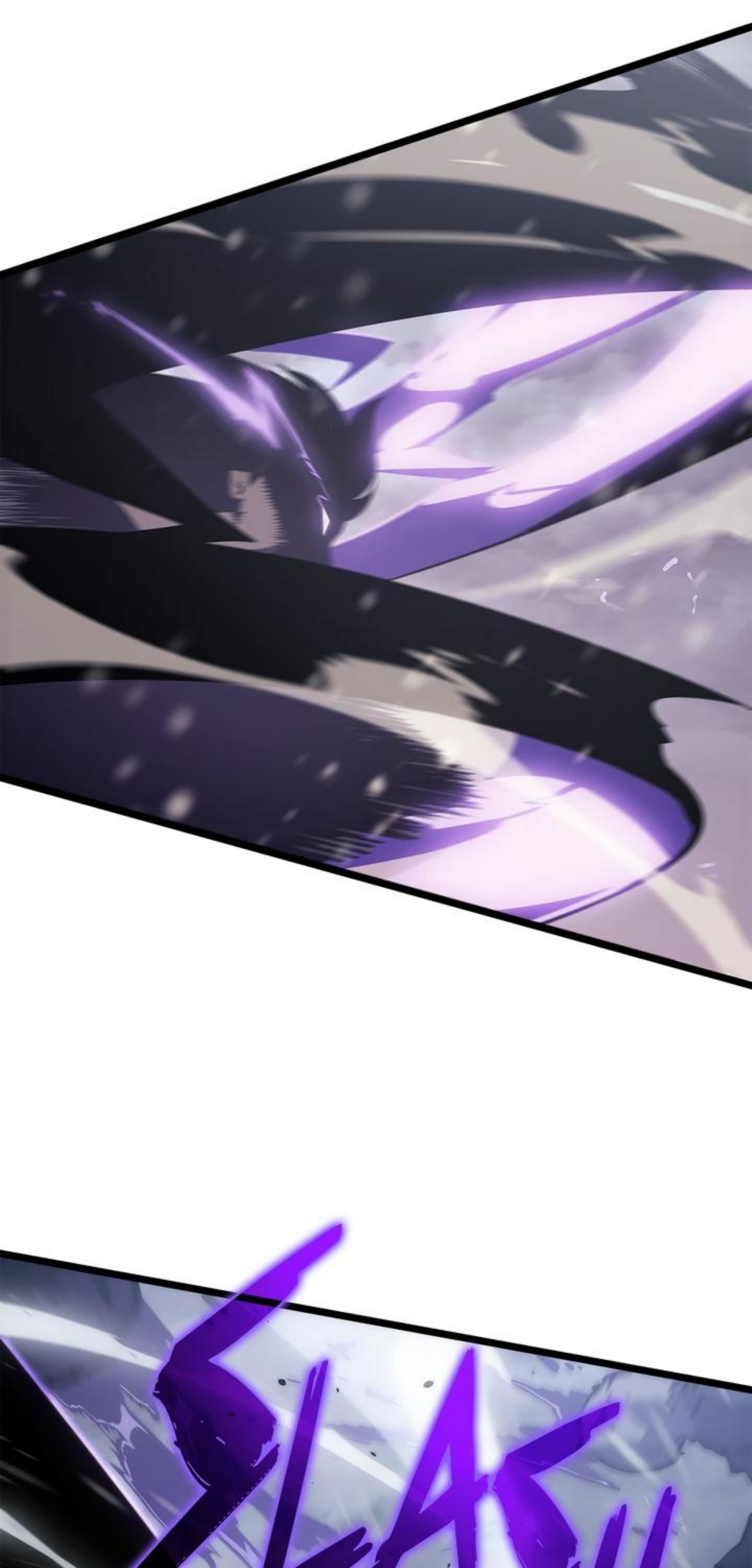


THEY GRADUALLY
BEGAN TO ECLIPSE
THE BATTLEFIELD.

SLASH



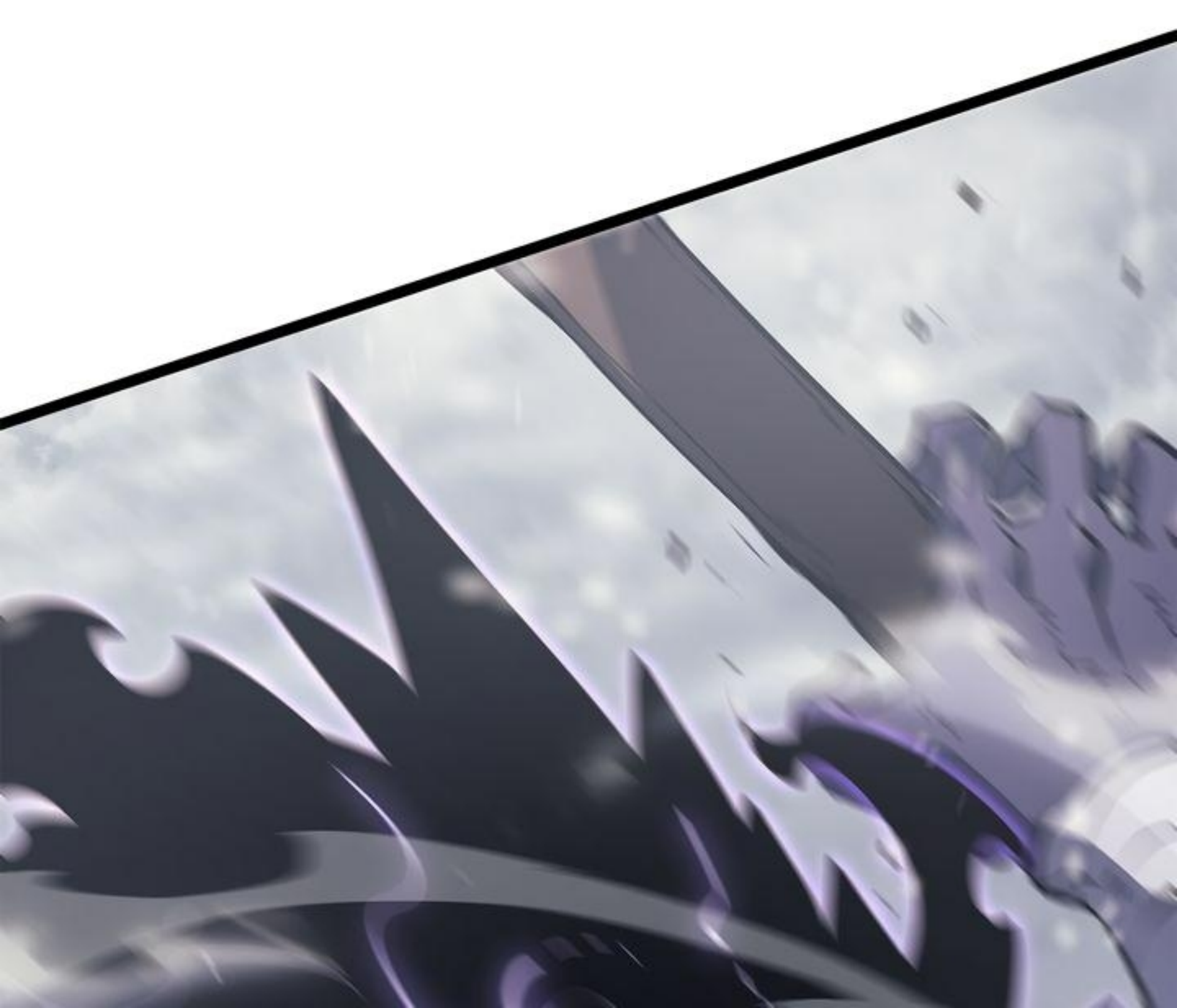
SLASH













CRASH






HAS THE ARMY OF
DESTRUCTION STARTED
MOVING?

WELL,
I CAN'T SENSE
THE DRAGON KING'S
PRESENCE...

...SO I DON'T
THINK THEY'RE
PLANNING ON MAKING
ANY MOVES JUST
YET.



STILL, THERE'S
NO NEED TO BE
DISAPPOINTED. WE STILL
HAVE A LOT OF
TIME LEFT.

AND IF HE'S
HESITATING TO MAKE A
MOVE, I JUST NEED TO
GIVE HIM A REASON TO
STEP FORWARD.

ARISE.



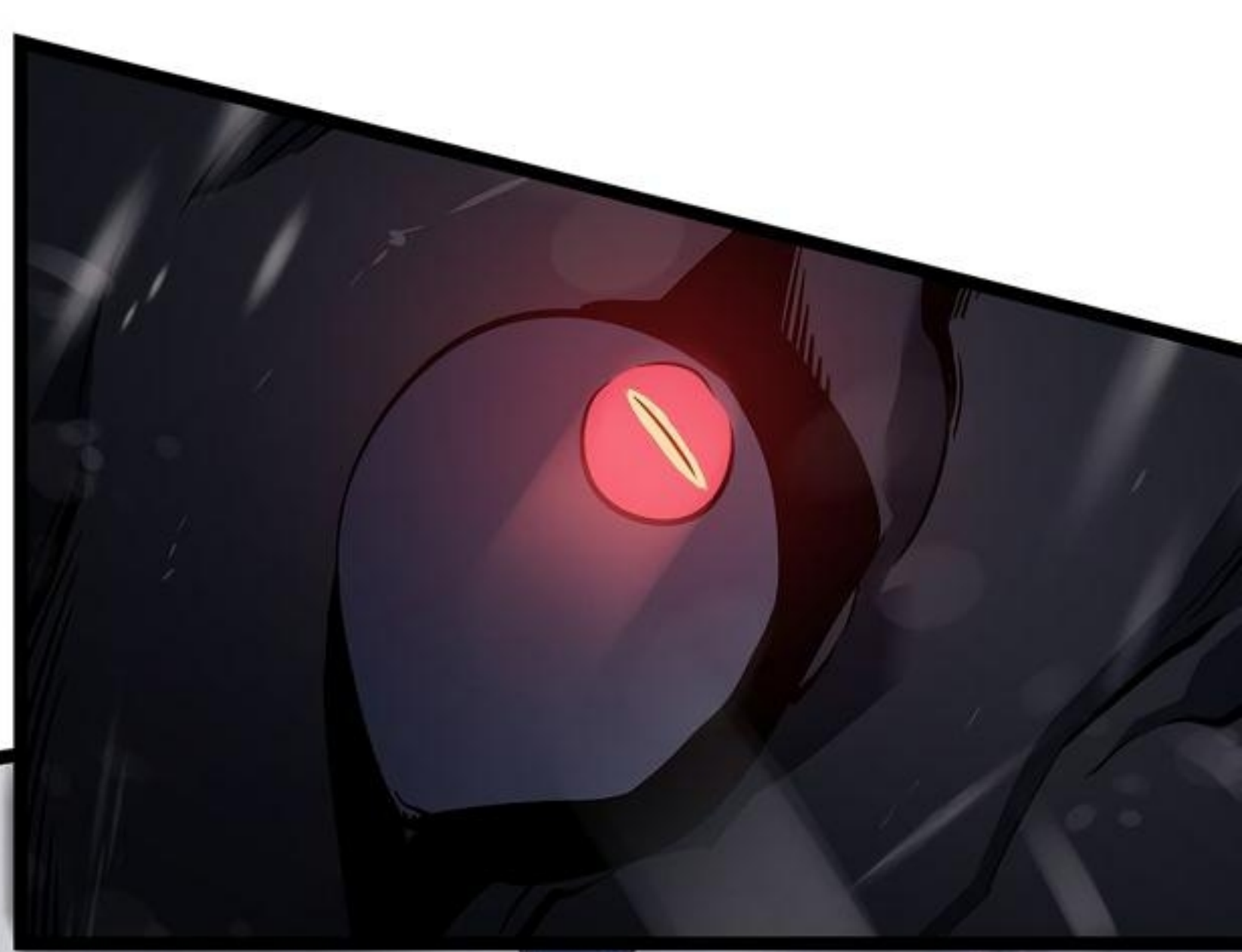




YOU DARE
OPPOSE THE GREAT
DRAGON KING WITH
MERE PUPPETS MADE
OF MANA...?!

I SHALL DESTROY
YOU IN THE NAME OF
HIS MAJESTY!

YOU TALK
TOO MUCH.





...THE SHADOW
MONARCH IS
BECOMING
STRONGER.



IT'S TIME TO
ATTACK.

MONARCH OF
TRANSFIGURATION.
REMAIN HERE AND
PREPARE FOR THE
SHADOW ARMY'S
AMBUSH.

UNDERSTOOD.

I WON'T LET
HIM GET AWAY.



BANG
BANG
BANG
BANG

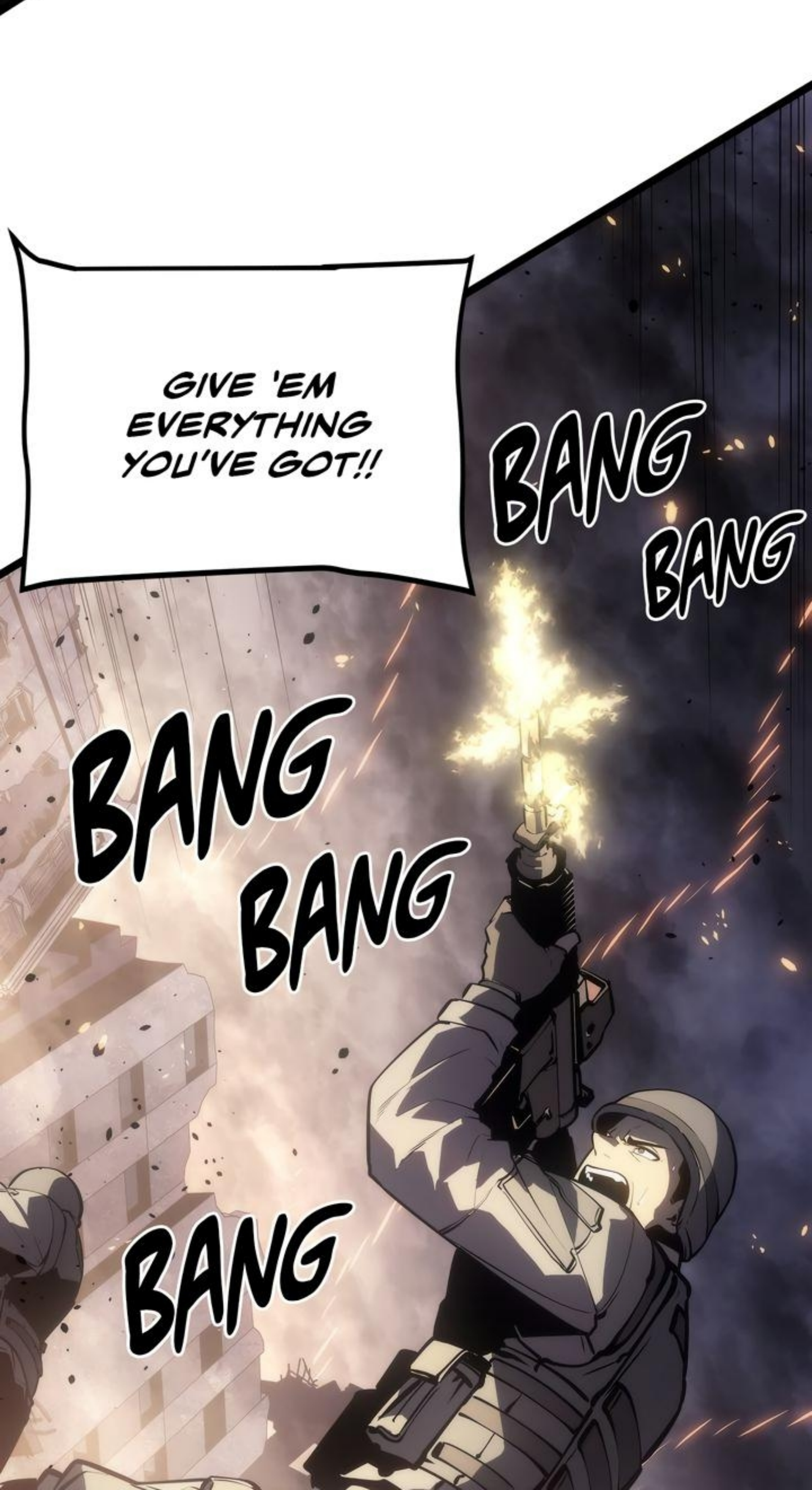
BANG
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**GIVE 'EM
EVERYTHING
YOU'VE GOT!!**

BANG
BANG

BANG
BANG

BANG



BANG
BANG

BANG
BANG

BANG



BANG

WE CAN AT
LEAST LIMIT THEIR
MOVEMENTS IF WE
AIM FOR THEIR ARMS
AND LEGS!

JUST STALL
THEM UNTIL OUR
REINFORCEMENTS
ARRIVE!



THWOCK

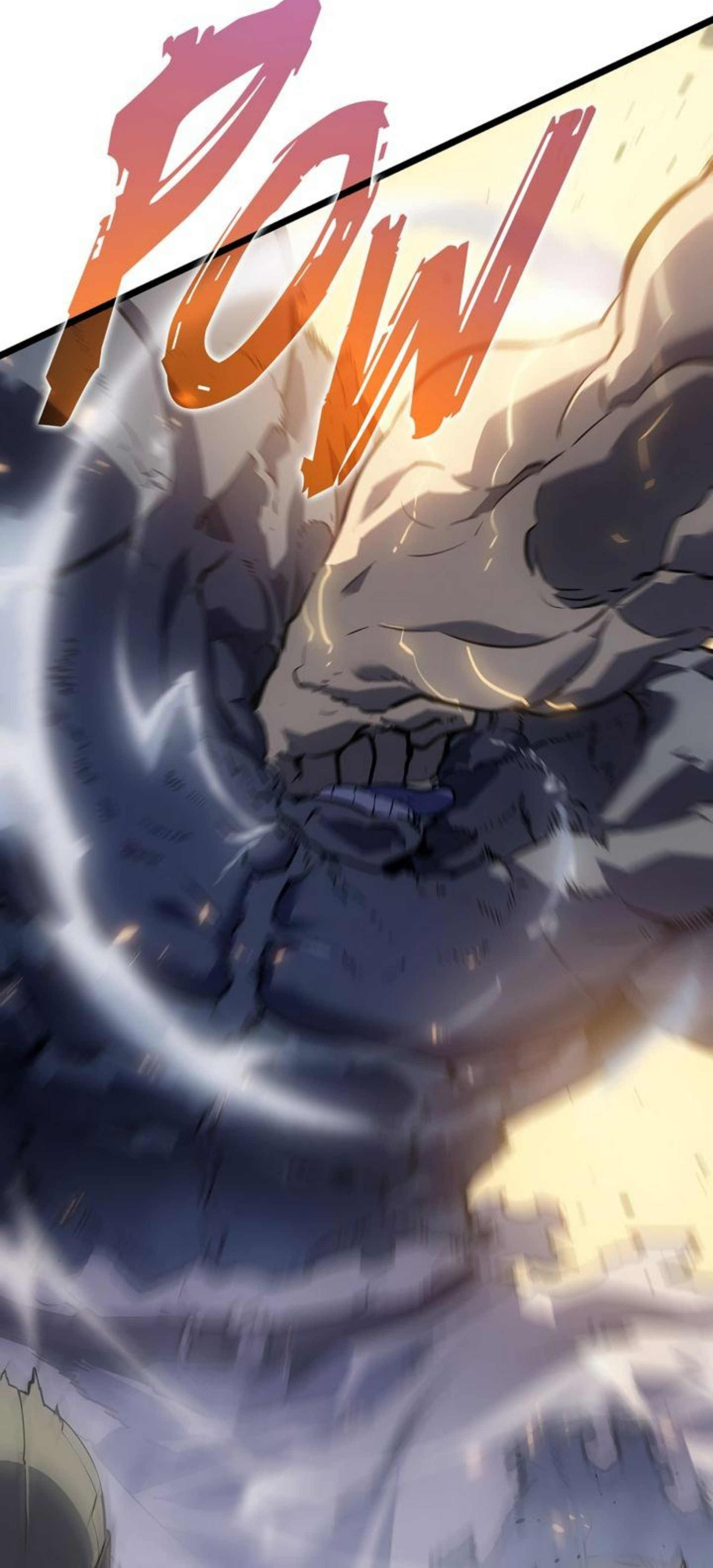


DRIP

GRAAH



POW







**IT'S THE
SCAVENGER
GUILD!!**

WE MAY BE
OUTNUMBERED,
BUT NONE OF THEM
STAND A CHANCE
AGAINST ME.

**IT'S THOMAS!
THOMAS ANDRE
IS HERE!!**

EXCEPT
FOR ONE...



YOU'RE THAT
HUMAN FROM
LAST TIME.



THE WEAK VESSEL
WHO NEARLY DIED IN
THE HANDS OF THE
MONARCH OF FANGS.

I AM THE KING OF
MONSTERS, THE
MONARCH OF STEEL.

SURELY YOU'RE
AWARE THAT I COULD
END YOUR LIFE IN THE
BLINK OF AN EYE...

YET YOU INSIST
ON STANDING IN
MY WAY?

WELL...



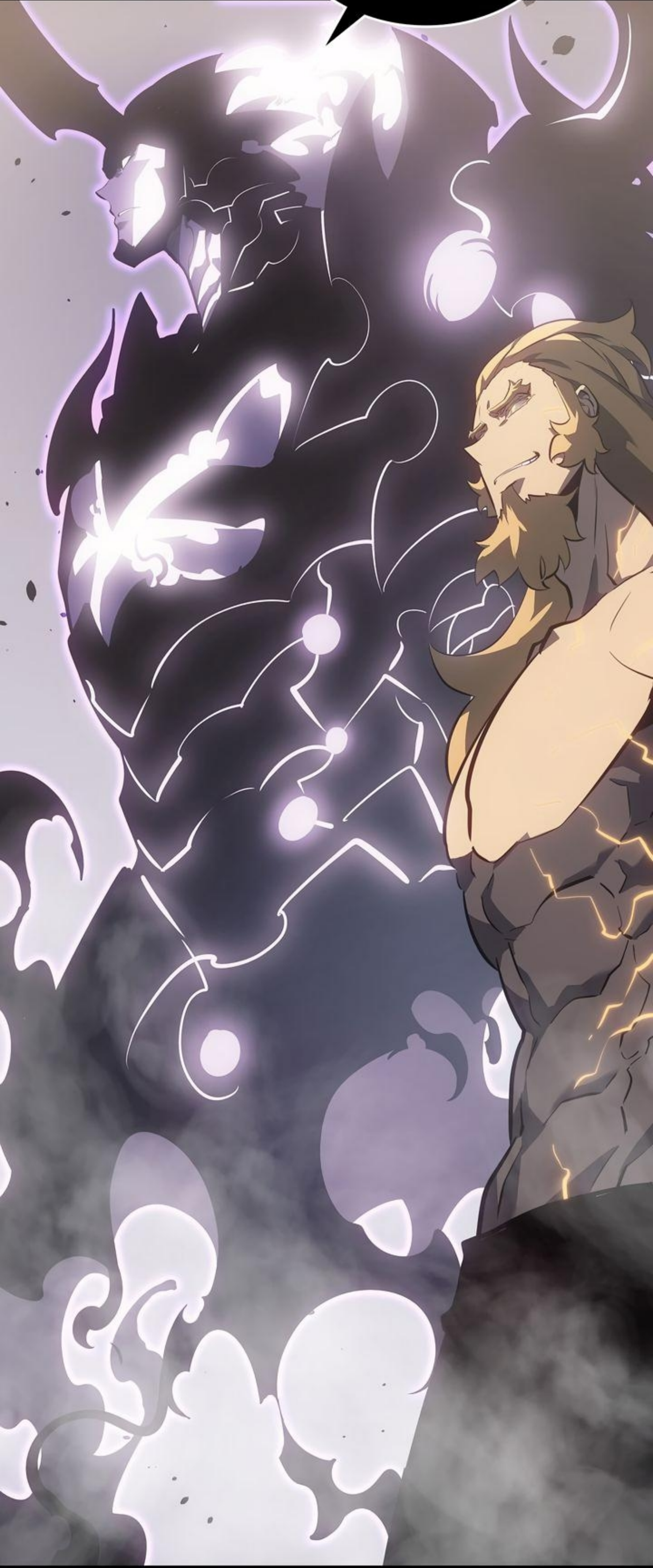
I DON'T KNOW
ABOUT ALL THAT
COMPLICATED
STUFF, BUT...

IT HAS BEEN
A WHILE,



FSSHH

KING OF
MONSTERS.



WHAT'S THE
SHADOW ARMY
DOING HERE?!

HAVE THEY
BEEN HIDING IN THAT
HUMAN'S SHADOW ALL
THIS TIME...?!



...LOOKS
LIKE WE'VE BEEN
TRICKED.



I MUST INFORM
THE DRAGON KING
OF THIS AT ONCE.



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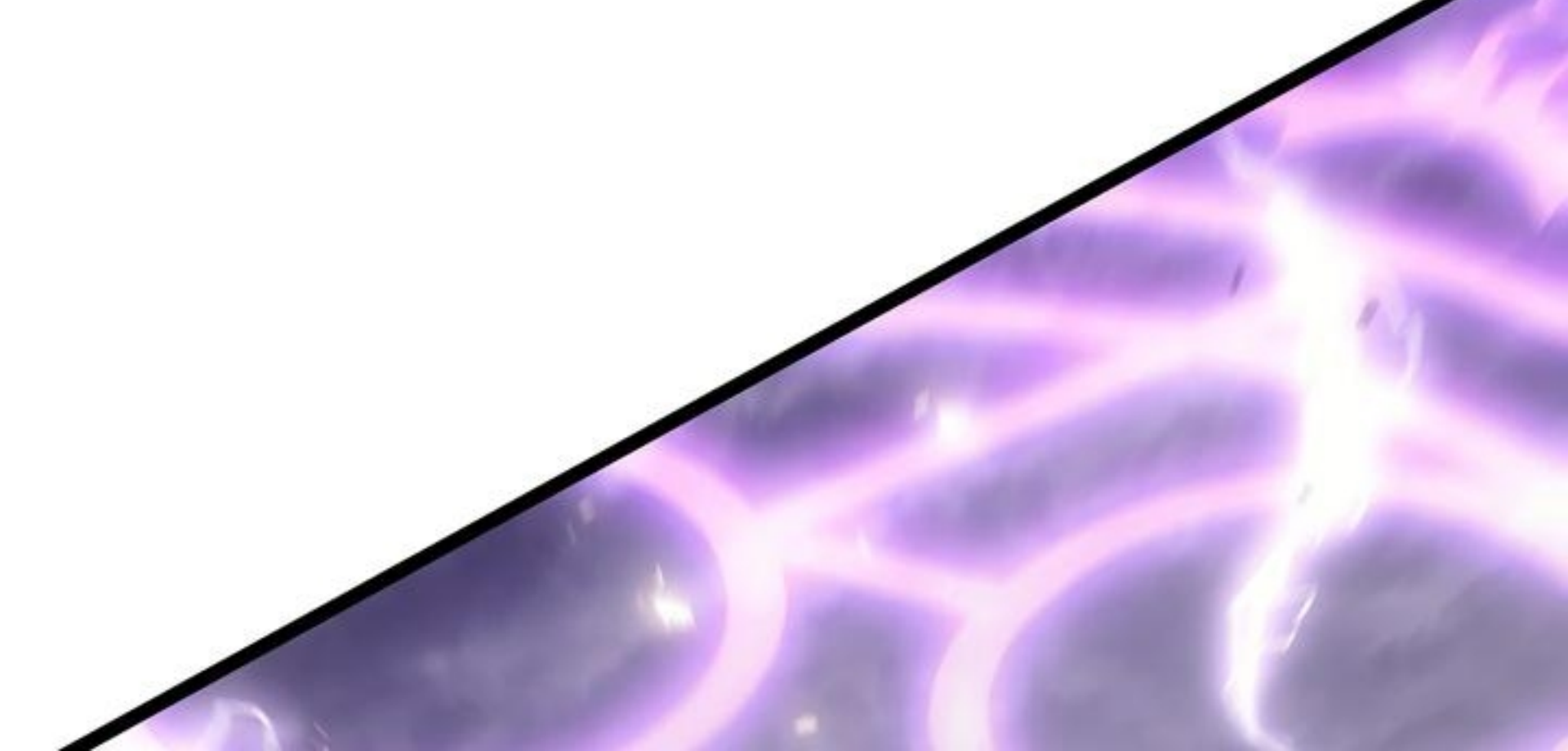
...WHAT'S
GOING ON?



WHY CAN'T I
REACH HIM?



DON'T
TELL ME...





THE SHADOW MONARCH
AND HIS SOLDIERS WOULD
NEVER HAVE COME UP WITH
A PLAN LIKE THIS.

IT'S JUST NOT
THE WAY THEY DO
THINGS.

THEY USUALLY
STRIKE DOWN THEIR
FOES HEAD-ON.



GRIT

THIS MUST BE...
A "HUMAN" STRATEGY.



THAT BASTARD
HAS NO RIGHT TO
BE A MONARCH!!

TAKE BACK...
WHAT YOU JUST
SAID.





OR YOU WILL
PAY THE PRICE FOR
INSULTING MY KING.

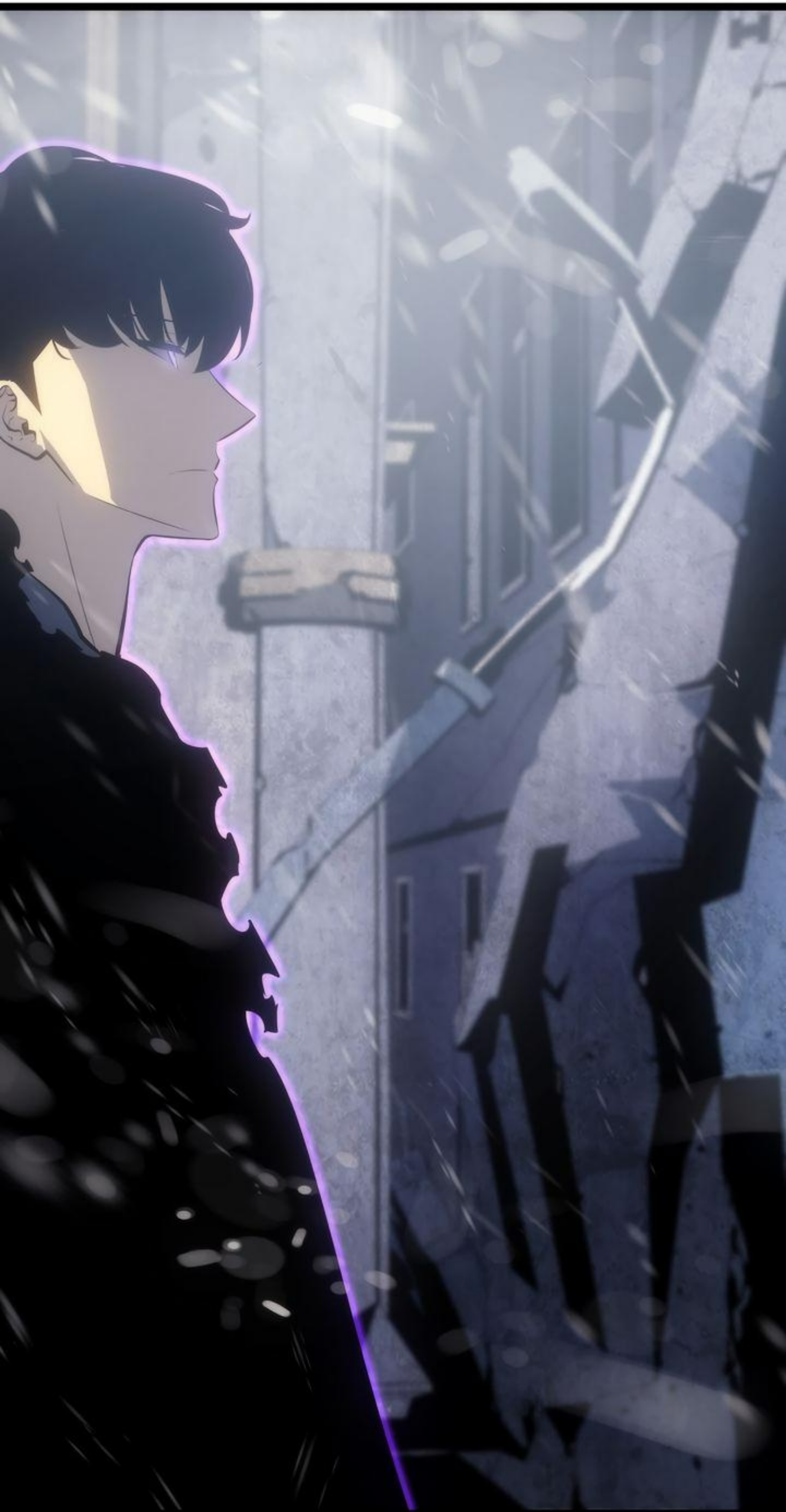
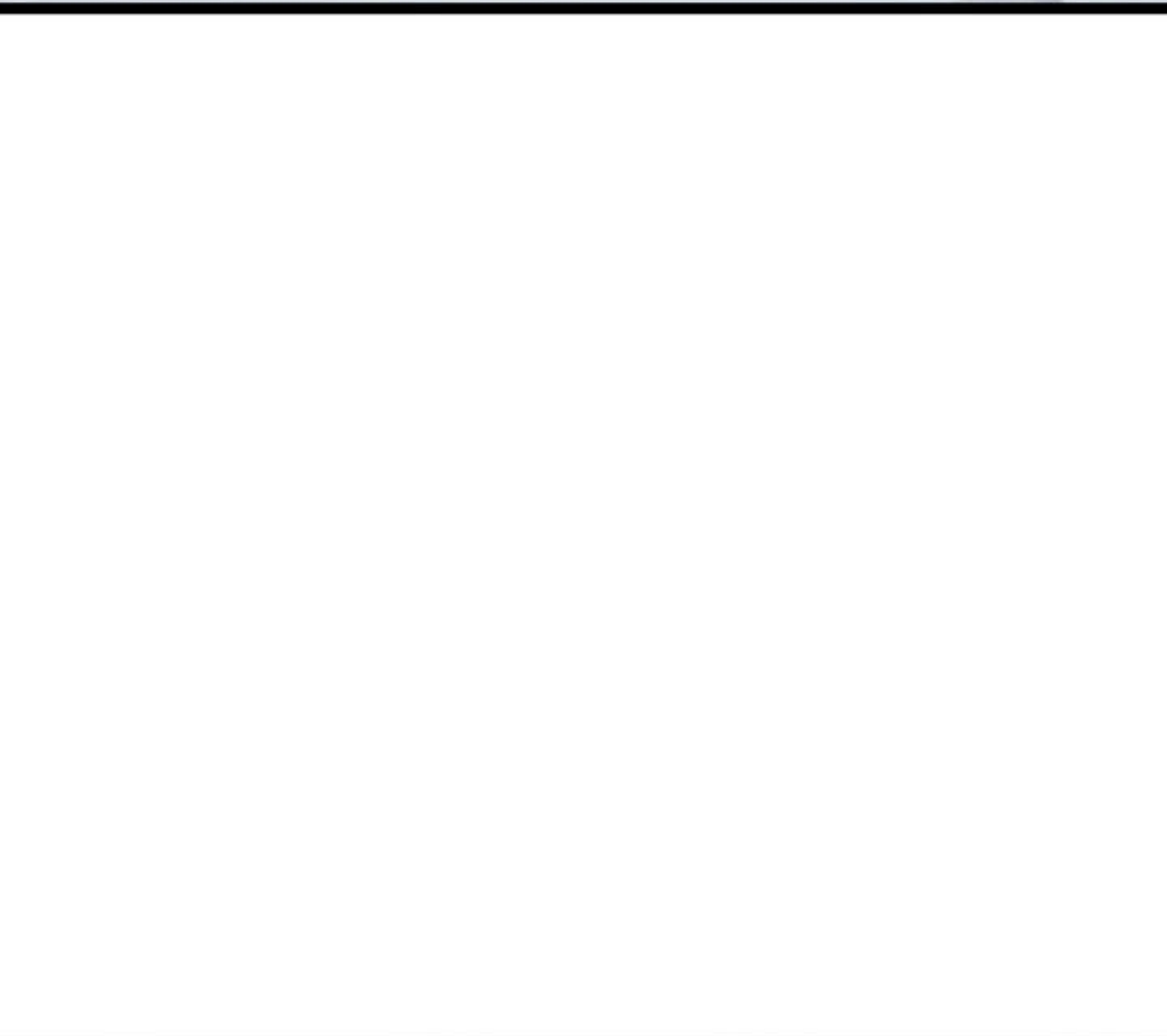
HOW DARE A MERE
SOLDIER STAND IN A
MONARCH'S WAY?!



GRAAAAAHH!!



RUMBLE







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